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JOINT EMBASSY/USIS MESSAGE

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TAGS: MOPS, PBOR, SA

SUBJECT: PRESS REACTION TO ARAB/ISRAELI FIGHTING

1. FRONT PAGES LOCAL PRESS REFLECT EXHUBERANT CLAIMS  
EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN MEDIA. SAMPLING OF HEADLINES READS:  
ARAB VICTORIES AT THE CANAL AND GOLAN FRONTS - HEAVY  
LOSSES INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY AT THE TWO FRONTS - 57  
ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN AND 92 TANKS DESTROYED ON THE  
EGYPTIAN FRONT - SYRIA DOWNS 51 ENEMY PLANES AND CONTINUES  
ADVANCING ON GOLAN FRONT - REPORTS FROM U.N. OBSERVERS  
AND LONDON PRESS HIGHLIGHT ARAB VICTORIES.

2. A SAUDI CABINET MEETING HEADED BY PRINCE FAHD TO  
"FOLLOW EVENTS RESULTING FROM THE TREACHEROUS ISRAELI  
AGGRESSION" WAS ALSO ACCORDED FRONT PAGE PROMINENCE.  
PRESIDENT NIXON'S CALL FOR SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FRONTPAGED IN ALL PAPERS. SIXTH FLEET'S DISPOSITION  
CONTINUED TO ATTRACT COVERAGE. STORY ATTRIBUTED TO  
AP AND DATELINED ATHENS REPORTED THAT ONE OF THE FLEET'S  
CARRIERS HAD DEPARTED ATHENS FOR CRETE. ITEM WENT ON TO  
QUOTE "SOURCES" IN WASHINGTON AS SAYING THAT THE CARRIER  
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INDEPENDENCE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THREE DESTROYERS. STORY

NOTED FLEET COMMANDER HAD CANCELLED ALL LEAVE AND REQUESTED OFFICERS AND MEN TO REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO THEIR SHIPS.

3. MAIN EDITORIALS PRAISED KING'S RESPONSE TO SECRETARY'S MESSAGE EMPHASIZING PART OF KING'S MESSAGE WHICH BLAMED ISRAELI AGGRESSION AS CAUSE FOR CURRENT FIGHTING. IN SUPPORTING COMMENTARY AL UKAZ EMOTED: "THE FIGHTING MAKES EVERY ARAB TREMBLE WITH JOY...THE VICTORIES OF THE ARAB ARMIES IN THE BATTLE OF DIGNITY, RETALIATION AND HONOR HAVE MADE ALL ARABS INTERACT EMOTIONALLY. WE LIVE THE EXPERIENCES OF OUR HOLY WARRIORS FROM MOMENT TO MOMENT..."

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